



SPANISH TABLE

Summary of relative pronouns, adverbs, and adjectives



Pronouns			
Relative words	Refer to:	Used without a preposition	Used with a preposition
que who, that, which	people or things	<i>El libro que me dio Juan es muy bueno.</i> The book that Juan gave me is very good.	<i>El niño buscaba algo con que cobijarse.</i> The child was looking for something to wrap up with. <i>Note: que is only used after prepositions: a, de, en and con.</i>
el que which, the one, the one who/ that the definite article preceding the pronoun matches the gender and number of the noun it refers to	people or things	<i>Mi prima, la que vive en Japón, es maestra de inglés.</i> My cousin, the one that lives in Japan, is an English teacher. <i>(used in non-defining clauses)</i> <i>Estos libros son los que quiero vender.</i> These books are the ones (that) I want to sell. <i>(used after ser)</i>	<i>Esta es la computadora con la que trabajo todos los días.</i> This is the computer that (lit.: with which) I work with every day.
el cual which the definite article preceding the pronoun matches the gender and number of the noun it refers to	people or things	<i>Tiré las medicinas viejas, las cuales ya habían caducado.</i> I threw away the old medicine, which had already expired. <i>(used in non-defining clauses)</i>	<i>Ese es el billete con el cual pagué los boletos.</i> That's the bill with which I paid for the tickets.
quien/quienes whom	people	<i>Los profesores, quienes trabajan mucho, son muy amables.</i> The professors, who work a lot, are very kind. <i>(used in non-defining clauses)</i>	<i>Este es el chico con quien puedes practicar piano.</i> This is the guy with whom you can practice piano.
lo que and lo cual what, which	an entire clause	<i>Esta nevando en mayo, lo cual es muy raro.</i> It's snowing in May, which is very strange.	<i>Esto es en lo que me enfoqué para mi ensayo final.</i> This is what I focused on for my final essay.



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donde where	place	<i>Esta es la escuela donde estudié la primaria.</i> This is the school where I studied in elementary school.	<i>Esta es la ciudad adonde íbamos de niños.</i> This is the city where we went as children.
cuando when	time	<i>La semana pasada, cuando regresé del trabajo, encontré un regalo en la mesa.</i> Last week, when I returned from work, I found a gift on the table.	--

Adjective			
Relative words	Refer to:	Used without a preposition	Used with a preposition
cuyo whose - is always followed by a noun <small>Note: the use of <i>cuyo</i> (and its other versions) is actually considered quite formal Spanish.</small>	indicates possession	<i>Esta es la chica cuyo apellido no recuerdo.</i> This is the girl whose last name I don't remember.	<i>Esta es la casa en cuyo interior vivía un artista famoso.</i> This is the house in whose interior lived a famous artist.

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